

SUPPLY—PUBLIC WORKS—*Con.**Walsh, R. N.* (Huntingdon)—*Con.*

which you speak of—7334. Nothing has been done to proceed with the work this year and that is why I asked what is the intention of the government—7335. I certainly was not opposing the vote. On the contrary I wanted to know whether it was going to be expended—7339. By crossing the outlet you are preventing the water from being drained off—7390.

St. Louis river—improvements, \$7,000—7379.

Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)—7379.

There was \$15,000 voted last. A dredge was built costing I suppose \$8,000—7379. But there is nothing to pay for work done between now and July first—7380.

Brodeur, Hon. L. P. (For Minister of Public Works)—7379.

This revote of \$7,000 is to make improvements in dredging the channel of Rivière St. Louis—7379. Yes, \$15,000 has been voted—7380.

St. Maurice—river channel between Grandes Piles et La Tuque, \$12,000—7326.

Ames, H. B. (St. Antoine, Montreal)—7326.

What depth of water do you get in the St. Maurice river between Grandes Piles and La Tuque?—7326.

Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)—7326.

What is this expenditure for?—7326.

Brodeur, Hon. L. P. (Minister of Inland Revenue)—7326.

This is work that was done by the government dredge—7326.

St. Maurice river—dam at Grandes Piles, \$19,000—7326.

Ames, H. B. (St. Antoine, Montreal)—7329.

Will you not have similar demands from the lumbermen on all of the other important lumbering rivers?—7329. The government have control over the river St. John—7330.

Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)—7327.

Why was this work not commenced last year?—7327.

Brodeur, Hon. L. P. (Minister of Inland Revenue)—7326.

This vote will provide for the construction of a dam 940 feet long at the head of the Grandes Piles falls—7326. I thought Monk wanted everything free—7328. Monk should bear in mind that there are very large industries in that section—7329. Ames knows that there are over 60 miles of navigation in this district on the river—7330.

Bureau, Jacques (Three Rivers and St. Maurice)—7327.

They have been taking soundings which is very difficult work at that particular spot

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—7327. They are paying for it in boom and slide dues—7328. There are only three rivers under the control of the government—7330.

Monk, F. D. (Jacques Cartier)—7327.

Do I understand this is to cost \$60,000?—7327. It seems to me we are spending this \$70,000 to help the lumber companies—7328. We are spending largely already in the interest of that locality—7329.

St. Maurice river—dredging, \$11,200—6851.

Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)—6851.

Do the lumbermen contribute anything to this work?—6851.

Blain, R. (Peel)—6852.

This river has been on the pay roll for many years; are we to continue year after year dredging it out?—6852.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—6851.

The reasons were very urgent and the public opinion in the district pressed the department to do a larger amount of work—6851.

Lemieux, Hon. R. (Solicitor General)—6852.

Two large lumber companies have established themselves at the mouth of the river and employ about 1,000 men—6852.

Sorel—Ice piers in River St. Lawrence, on west side of mouth of River Richelieu—revote of \$750 lapsed, \$3,000—6841.

Bergeron, J. G. H. (Beauharnois)—6841.

Has not part of it been carried off by the ice already?—6841. The fact is that the government have been changing their minds too often—6842.

Fielding, Hon. Wm. S. (Minister of Finance)—6841.

This vote of \$3,000 makes the whole amount \$6,000—6841.

Wilson, Uriah (Lennox)—6841.

It is rather strange that the engineer should not have recognized the possibility of such things—6841.

St. Maurice district—improvements to boom work to facilitate the floating and storage of logs, &c., \$40,000—7579.

Brodeur, Hon. L. P. (Minister of Inland Revenue)—7579.

This is to provide for heavy repairs, improvements and new works required in addition to ordinary repairs—7579. We have just received a report to the effect that the slides and booms on the River St. Maurice are giving 3 per cent—7580. If we left the works there the lumbermen might not keep them up, and we would lose our money—7581. If we get \$42,000 next year, it will be 3 per cent—7582.